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Milwaukie To Dedicate October 17

By Ed. P. Dewees

The brethren of the Milwaukie Church of Christ have set October 17 as the date of dedication for the first unit of their church building. The service will begin at 2:30 p. m. with Myron Cole, of the Frist Christian Church, scheduled to bring the dedicatory message. Work has been going forward through the summer in preparation for the happy occasion, and while much work will remain to be done, these brethren are to be commended for their patience and persistence in the long campaign to build a house of worship.

Members of sister congregations are cordially invited to share in this victory. Ninety and Nine men will be particularly interested in the dedication because of the share they have had in both the evangelistic and constructive phases of building the church. An offering will be received during the dedication service. May it be a generous one so the further improvement of the building may be carried on as the church strives to further extend Christ's kingdom in Milwaukie.

Coast Men Elect

As indicated in the September column the Coast District at Rockaway on September 10 was a good one. A delicious dinner, served by the Rockaway ladies, got the meeting off to a good start, and President, Al Swett kept it moving. In the business session the nominating committee gave its report and President Swett and Secretary-Treasurer Judson Cromwell, of Tillamook, found themselves reelected Dorsey Dent, of Warrenton, was elected Vice-President. Interesting reports on the Wi-Ne-Ma boys' camp were given by Brother Swett, business manager of the camp, and Clifford Snyder, dean. Reports on the other camps were made by this writer and Martin Kullowatz spoke on the state evangelistic work. The next rally will be held at Seaside on November 12.

Willamina Entertains

The Yamhill District took a new lease on life with the opening rally of the fall season at Willamina on September 13. Attendance was 67 and fared well on both physical and spiritual food. Even the guest speaker, Aldis Webb, complained that the cheese on the apple pie did not come from Tillamook.

Toastmaster Dave Duncan presented Mr. J. A. (Al) Newton who played a piano solo and the girls' trio of the church, Marilyn Metzger, Maxine Risseauw, and LaVoughn Duncan, who sang three numbers. The balance of the program was conducted in the church auditorium with Ray Smith, former pastor, leading the singing accompanied by Dr. Root. Bill Morse, of Amity, gave the invocation.

Aldis Webb then brought a challenging message on "The Next Step in Human Progress." Movies of some of the 1947 Boys' Camps were shown and a report made on the 1948 camps and state work by your reporter. The business meeting followed, opened with prayer by George Forrester, of Sheridan. Good reports were made by the churches represented. A district budget of $1,000 was adopted by 1948-49 with $750 allocated for state program. $50 was voted to NCC, and $50 designated to the state for the Burns building fund to complete the current fiscal year. Leo Woodruff, host pastor, pronounced the benediction.

Baker Men Hosts

The men of Baker church entertained the boys of the church and delegations from other churches on September 14. A fine dinner was served by the Baker ladies and H. R. Leep, visiting from the Salem Court St. Church, gave thanks for the food and fellowship. Bob Brock, graduate of the Turner Boys' Camp and also a former Court Streeter, led the singing at the tables and in the auditorium program.

Camp movies were shown and your reporter gave a talk on the camps and the state Ninety and Nine work. State Vice-President Vernon DeLong presided over a brief business meeting which resulted in several favorable expressions for a district east of the Blue Mountains. Tentative plans were made for another rally. George Whipple, of Nyssa, brought the message of the evening, a challenge and testimony for gospel preaching.

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Northwestern Christian Home

Mrs. Laura K. Hill, Sup't
Ray C. Smith, Area Representative

The field representative spent a busy month in September getting acquainted with his work, writing letters, contacting churches and attending the International Convention in San Francisco. He travelled almost a thousand miles in Oregon and was guest speaker at Willamina, Oregon City, Astoria, Seaside and Roseburg, and showed the colored film, "The Church Cares for Its Own," in several of these churches. During October and November the plan is to contact most of the churches in the area, speaking and showing the film wherever possible.

Our Superintendent, Mrs. Hill, and one of our Board members, Mrs. Parker, also attended the convention. Mrs. Hill and Mr. Smith were on duty frequently at the NBA booth in company with Home Office and field workers from other areas.

Our Home family at Beaverton is an appreciative group, and gifts of fresh fruit and vegetables in season are very much enjoyed. Now that "spuds", apples, pears and other products of the field are available, we wonder who will be the first to send, or bring in, a supply in any quantity.

Material for use in our churches and Bible Schools for the special offering for benevolence at Christmas time will soon be available and we hope that "your other family" will be remembered at that time in keeping with the Christmas spirit. If your "field man" can be of service in any way, please call on him.

Foreign Missions Rally and Disciples Assembly

The Foreign Missions Conference of North America, an interdenominational movement for world evangelization, will hold a two-day meeting in Portland November 8, 9. Some world Christian leaders will be present. The day time meetings will be denominational and held in the various churches but the interdenominational meetings will be held on the evening of the 8th at the First Baptist, First Methodist, and First Presbyterian churches. It was not possible to secure an auditorium large enough to accommodate all in one meeting.

The Disciples' session will be held in the First Christian Church from 10 o'clock until 4:30, with a luncheon at noon. Virgil Sly, executive secretary of Africa Missions, and Miss Margaret Lawrence, missionary to China, will be present. A representative of the Crusade will also be there but it is not known whom at this writing. Brethren from the state are invited in to participate in this most significant meeting.

MOLALLA — There was 1 baptism and 5 others added to the church in September. The church is encouraged. Dick Owen, pastor.

Christian Unity

Two very significant matters looking toward Christian unity were reported to the San Francisco Convention. The first was the Amsterdam conference, held in August last. It was a meeting of more than 150 religious groups searching for a way to greater unity. The result was the organization of a World Council of Churches. This is not the full answer to Christian Unity; but that unity we pray for will never come except as the result of long and continued search. We may thank God for this much.

The second item was the reported progress toward unity with the Baptist body. That, too, is still a long way in the future But it is heartening to know that both groups are willing to consider it seriously. And it is something, too, that the two bodies can publish a hymnal and Sunday School materials jointly. The leaders of both groups are committed to the fact, but the path to unity is yet to be discovered.

HERMISTON — The three weeks meeting by Gene and Verna Chamberlain resulted in 7 baptisms and 5 reconsecrations. It was one of the best meetings this church has had. Albert Kribs, pastor.

Last Call For Educational Workshop

October 26-28 will present the best opportunity for practical leadership training that will be available in Oregon for a considerable time. The addresses by Dr. Briggs and Miss Lewis will be worth your while if there were nothing else. The departmental conferences, led by competent teachers, will be worth every minute you spend there. Other features on the program will be exceedingly helpful. Every church in the state should be represented by one or more of their leaders. You may send as many as you wish. The registration fee, if received before October 25, will be $1.50; after that date it will be $2.00. Send now to C. F. Swander, registrar, your name and address, with $1.50, and get in on the ground floor. Springfield church will entertain with bed and breakfast.

International Convention

More than 5,000 Christians met in the auditorium at Oakland, California, on Sunday afternoon, September 26 far a communion service. It was a different service this year because it was an ecumenical gathering, in which communicants from many religious bodies met together at the Lord's Table. A bishop of the Methodist Church presided at the table and servants of all bodies carried the emblems to the people.

The convention proper met in the civic auditorium in San Francisco. Nearly 5,000 registrations were paid for; but all who registered did not attend, and many of those who came did not attend every session. Consequently not more than 1,500 people were in the day time sessions at one time. The corridors and book rooms claimed many, for the fellowship was sweet.

The theme of the convention was "Crusading," and all the messages bore upon that thought. The addresses, very naturally, embodied some that lifted you out of your seat; and some soothed one to drowsiness. A criticism was heard upon the reading of messages. A rigid requirement was that each speaker submit a manuscript. There was no demand that they read it, but most of them did—greatly to the damage of their message. Some bold souls dared to depart from the written text and it added greatly to the effectiveness of the message. A convention is not primarily for the purpose of sending folks home with a notebook full of information; but rather for the purpose of inspiring them to go home and do something about that which they heard. A manuscript that is read doesn't thrill one very much; but a speech that comes direct from heart to heart without having to go through a page of opaque paper will inspire the listener.

There were many luncheon and dinner meetings of various sort. The one that interested preachers most was the "Pension Breakfast," which was a complimentary by Oreon Scott, a layman of St. Louis. 500 ministers attended it. There were two speakers—one who is just coming into the ministry, Jack Suggs, of Texas Christian University; and one who is retiring from the ministry after 45 years in one pastorate, Stephen E. Fisher, of Champaigne, Illinois.

Space does not permit an adequate report of the convention. But the memory of it will long linger in the hearts of the more than 150 Oregonians who attended it. The next convention will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, October 25-30, 1949. It has been 19 years since it was on the coast, but we hope it will not be that long again.

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Notice: Items for the Oregon Christian should reach the editor's desk not later than the 1st day of the month to insure publication.

C. H. Addleman Speaks

As I assume the duties of the office to which you good people of Oregon have called me, I am wondering what you think of first when the word "State Missions" is mentioned! I want you to see more than a man sitting in an office trying to raise a budget for so many dollars. Brother Swander has set the pace and standard through the many years of his faithful service as one who served rather than the idea of being served. It will be my purpose as long as the Lord gives me strength to serve Christ and His cause in Oregon with all the strength I have. Since the State Board plans to place a full time secretary in the office to handle all the office duties it will free me to do more field work. I will be available for preaching engagements, conferences, educational, stewardship and evangelistic rallies, and will be able to assist in a limited number of visitation evangelism campaigns. Understand I do not present myself as an expert in any of the above mentioned fields, but I will be glad to share with the churches of the state some of the things I have learned out of 27 continuous years as pastor. It is not my plan to come in and disrupt any program you have, but if I can help you to make your program more effective for Christ in the community where you are I shall be glad to do so.

I feel it would not be wise for me to assume I am to take over dates Brother Swander has been visiting you. So, as I make up my calendar for the year, I will begin with a clean slate and try as far as possible to make dates according to the time you write, except I would like to work in areas of the state at one time and thus cut the cost of travel. I hope to visit every district in the state during the year, and visit as many churches in each district as possible.

Now, my one request is, that you give me an opportunity to serve you in any way possible. I also covet your prayers. Why not form a prayer band in each congregation in behalf of the new State Secretary! Oregon needs Christ, so let us be like the people of old who built the wall. They succeeded, "For the people had a mind to work."

Milwaukie

The Milwaukie Church plans to dedicate the first unit of their building on October 17. Their friends are cordially invited to be present. This building is a real achievement on the part of the congregation. They have labored and sacrificed and they will appreciate any financial support you can give them. If you cannot go, send—money in a letter.

Financial

August 24 to September 30

CHURCHES: Coquille, $18.52; Falls City, $3; Harrisburg, $25; Kern Park, $10.41; Klamath Falls, $10; Lebanon, $50; Mallory Avenue, $88.73; Sheridan, $15.39; Silverton, $75; Tillamook, $18.95; Trent, $50; Wallowa, $40; Yamhill, $10. Total, $415.00

Albany, $100; Harrisburg, $35.84; Hillsboro, $46.10; Heppner, $22; Multnomah, $25; Vernonia, $48.03; Yamhill, $10. Total, $286.96.

SCHOOLS: Mallory Avenue, $4.25; Redmond, $8.34. Total $12.59.

YOUTH: Kern Park, $2.50.

WOMEN: Council, Klamath Falls, $62.50.

INDIVIDUALS: B. Ross Evans, $5; Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Fortna, $5.

PERMANENT FUND: Interest earnings, $139.85; Paid on loans, $123.12; Offering, Mrs. J. A. Fountain, $10.

CENTENNIAL: Len B. Fishback, $5.

Comment

1.—The total offerings for the year closing June 30 were $10,948.33; a loss of $941.07 from the year before. 1946-47 was the highest record Oregon offerings ever made—$11,889.40. We must come back and go beyond to meet the budget for the present year which is $13,000.

2.—The offerings to September 22 this year are just a little short of the offerings on September 30 last year.

3.—There is one youth group that contributes regularly to Oregon Missions — Kern Park. Why shouldn't others do likewise? Who will be the next one to line up?

4.—The Sunday Schools will begin in October to respond with their offerings. Last year these totalled $1,428.74 These could easily be made $2,000. Try it.

5.—This report shows a payment on a centennial pledge. More than $1,500 is out on delinquent centennial pledges. They are not outlawed. It not too late. Did you mean it when you pledged? If you cannot pay it, tell us so frankly and we will cancel it; otherwise it will stay on the books with the assumption that you can pay it. If you can you ought to. How about it?

6.—Letters recently went out to the churches indicating the offering they made last year, and suggesting that it will require about a 25% increase to meet the budget for this year. If your state help has not yet been budgeted it should be done soon. We shall be glad to hear what you are allotting for state missions. Remember, if you want to help state missions you must send direct to this office. NO MONEY COMES BACK TO OREGON FROM UNIFIED PROMOTION.

Members Who Move

One of the most difficult things about pastoral work is the fact that so many members move and leave no trace. It is estimated that nearly 600,000 have moved from their home church during and following the war years. This problem is being tackled by the Crusade program and it is hoped that a technique may be worked out that will help in solving it. Samples of supporting materials have been mailed to each church with an offer to supply them free of cost during September and October to any church that will agree to make the effort to reach its non-residents. Write for them to Department of Church Development and Evangelism, 222 S. Downey Avenue, Indianapolis 7, Indiana.

Women's Missionary Society News

By Mrs. Edna L. Burke

The 1948 International Convention held in San Francisco, September 25-30, is now history. In every way it was a great convention. The followship, messages, spirit, music, and even the weather, were tops. On Thursday, the last day, registration had reached a total of 5,000. All of these things prove that contrary to the opinions of some, it is possible to hold a successful convention on the west coast. Members of the Women's State Board privileged to attend were Mrs. C. C. Smith, Portland, State President; Mrs. Neta Olds, Lebanon, Recorder; Mrs. Margaret Goff, Forest Grove, Secretary District 3; and Mrs. Edna L. Burke, Eugene, State Secretary. On Saturday night, September 25, state presidents and executive secretaries met in the Y.M.C.A. for a courtesy luncheon. Arrangements were in charge of Mrs. Neil McGowan, president of the Northern California Women's Missionary Society. Ninety-nine women were present. Gorgeous corsages of tuberous begonias were presented to the guests. Miss Jessie Trout, National Director of Missionary Organizations-Education, presided. She made it clear that in case churches and missionary organizations are behind with their Crusade offerings up to the present they still have the opportunity to bring them up to the amount of their total goal before the Crusade ends in June, 1950. Care should be taken when sending in offerings intended for the Crusade to indicate in an unmistakable way so the proper credit may be given on missionary organization goals, which also applies toward the total church Crusade goal, which in turn applies on the state goal.

Board of Managers

Mrs. Muriel Jordan, of Albany, Executive Secretary of the Oregon Christian Missionary Society from January 1945 to July 1948, and Dudley Strain pastor of the First Church, Salem, Oregon, were chosen to serve on the Board of Managers of the United Christian Missionary Society for 3 years, terms expiring in 1951. Congratulations!

Oregon Missionaries

The Oregon missionaries were much in evidence throughout the convention—Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Moon, now retired; Goldie Wells, Hattie Mitchell, and Mr. and Mrs. David Byerlee. It is worthy of note that all of these either have served or are at the present time located in mission stations in the Belgian Congo. They were presented to the convention during the "Hour with the missionaries" on Thursday morning. Each brought a stirring message and an appeal for more missionaries and increased budgets to meet the growing needs.

Yocum's Address

C. M. Yocum, Chairman of the Foreign Missions Division, in addressing the convention, made these significant statement: "Our missionaries are well thought of everywher. They are taking the lead in educational, medical, evangelistic, in fact ever line of missionary endeavor.

"India's independence is serving as a source of encouragement rather than a hinderance to Christian missions. because of the fact that the people are no longer suspicious of Christians. Writers, educators, and other leaders are openly showing a friendly attitude toward Christianity, due in part at least to the sacrificial service rendered the people during the recent difficult times.

"In Japan, because of their military defeat, they have lost faith in state Shintoism. There is much of humility, indeed enough to make Japan fertile soil for seeds of new ideas and new ideals.

"And the communists know it. They are on the job—the Christians are on the job too. A letter from Dr. Kagawa dated April 5, 1948, states, 'I am winning 500 to 1,000 souls a day by preaching to an average audience of 5,000. Already I have won 130,000 in 20 months.' And, marvel of marvels! he is charging admission to his meetings.

"In China, the Philippines, everywhere in fact, the doors are open. Never in the history of Christianity have there been so many open doors as at the present time. The need for personnel, materials, and funds is so great that the total missionary budget could easily be used for each field.

"In 1925, the heyday of our missionary work, we had 339 missionaries on the foreign field; today, we have 210, only 36 above the low ebb of the depression years of 174. There is an urgent need for 365 on the field today, some to take the place of those retired and those who have been forced by illness to come home. At present 31 new missionaries are in training. All of these, and more, could be used in each field.

"Our missionary work everywhere has expanded to the point that we are going to be forced to adopt one of two policies—either cut down our work, or make it possible to take care of it adequately by providing personnel, materials and funds. With breaking hearts we had to cut down the work during the depression years. Don't make us do it again. We can do just what the churches of our brotherhood make it possible and no more.

"The churches of America are confronted with an unprecedented opportunity which is not likely to recur in our day. We must take advantage of it now. If we do not act now, it is not likely that the opportunity will be long available."

The answer, at least of the immediate future, is the success of the Crusade, which has for its goal more trained personnel, more materials, and more funds.

The National Goal

The national goal for women's missionary organizations is $200,000 per year for each of the three years of the Crusade, a total of $600,000 over and above the regular giving. Actually last year, the first year of the Crusade which ended June 19, 1948, we had contributed $168,925, falling short about $31,000 of reaching the goal. However, this can be made up before the Crusade ends in June, 1959. In Oregon we reached our goal of $4,000 and went over the top by contributing more than $5,000. It is hoped that the report of June 1949 will go beyond that a long way, thus helping to take up the slack in some other states. Bravo for Oregon!

The money contributed thus far has already been put to work to help build churches on our foreign fields, thus bringing to fruition a portion of our objective which includes also the building of chapels at Jarvis and Southern Christian Institute. Our project for this year includes $90,000 for Home Missions and Evangelism, $90,000 for the building of residences for missionaries and nationals on our nine foreign fields and $20,000 for state development.

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Direct Support Mission News

By J. Frank Cunningham

The recent gift of $24.00 from the Willamette Valley Christian Service Camp, for the support of this column, as well as a gift for the same purpose from a faithful friend of the column, rather makes us wonder if we should make a financial report from time to time, as most Direct Support missionaries do. However, we feel that, inasmuch as we acknowledge all such gifts directly, we feel that we should not use this valuable space for such reports. Suffice it to say that we have received sufficient support from churches, Service Camps and individuals to meet the cost thus far. There have been times when there were no funds on hand except for the current month. Right now, however, we are prepared for exactly four issues beyond this one. Anyone interested in supporting this column should bear in mind that the cost is $12 per month.

Captain Sugano

We recently received a letter from our old friend and schoolmate, (Captain) H. Sugano. Brother Sugano labored with the Maddens and Coles in Osaka until the war forced the missionaries to leave Japan. Then Brother and Sister Sugano carried on alone with the church and kindergarten until the buildings were burned in the bombing of June 7, 1945. He mentions "My only son, who was forced to join the army by cruel military orders," and says that, when the war ended, the son who was in New Guinea, was never notified. He enclosed a picture of himself, saying. "It may be memorial one in this world because I am so old. 63 years of age." I wish it were possible to quote all his letter. I do want to quote this much: "Now it is time to let our people know our 'Lord' to go their roads directed by Christ and we are going to rebuild our church building in the site of that burnt place, north-east part of Osaka, also we are working hard to make money to build one more church building in the center of Osaka to be called 'The First Christian Church' in Osaka. This church one year old baby but we could have more than fifty members (35 or little more baptized, 20 persons came from another church. Our people, at present, are utterly weary of the poor unkind professional politicians and no man believes 'government' in consequence they have lost their ways and are puffing in Hell on earth, Japan. Now it is the important time to show Japanese, both adult and child, 'The Bright Road' of Christ to go, and we are crying for them all for Christ."

Africa Mission

We recently received the second issue of the very interesting little paper published quarterly by the African Christian Mission. Mr. and Mrs. Guy E. Humphreys are the missionaries, and Norval Campbell, Box 6, Price Hill Station, Cincinnati 5, Ohio. The missionaries have been staying at Bomili, but have recently chosen Yindi as the site of their work. Yindi is located in the mining district of the upper Belgian Congo region. The Humphreys have two children, Larry and Marilyn. It seems that there are fair roads through this mining district; so the Humphreys are asking that the brethren supply them with the funds to buy a panel truck.

South India

In South India are churches of Christ led by the native Edwards family. The work was originally started by the native missionary J. Edwards, with the assistance of Fred Smith, who was then in India. Later it received encouragement from Dr. Zoena Rothermel. But it seems to be far removed from any other of our work in India; and so these native workers are apparently now on their own. J. Edwards was interned in Malaya, by the Japanese, during the war; but has been repatriated and is now back in the Lord's work in India. A son, S. M. Edwards, who was an officer in the army during the war, but has been demobilized, has dedicated himself to the promotion of this work. A younger daughter, Mabel, is serving as secretary of the mission. It is possible to buy hand made Indian lace, to assist in the income of these workers. Anyone interested should write to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Norwood, Box 126, Thorp, Washington.

Other Items

Mrs. Earl Chandler is in Oregon at the present time. She was sent to the W.C.T.U. convention in Portland by the Alaska W. C. T. U. but she is taking advantage of the opportunity to contact some of the churches in the interest of the work in Ketchikan, where she and Earl are located, as well as of the Alaska work in general.

In the August MABASHI NEWS Grace Franham tells of the baptism in July of 3 women. These were very largely the product of the work of the Mabashi Mission in Tokyo, before the war. One was a girl just graduated from High School, "The firstfruits for Christ of our former kindergarten."

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Fleenor and little Stephen hope to be able to leave in the fall of next year, to join Grace in the work of the Mabashi Mission. Julius will then have his B.D. degree from Butler University, where he is majoring in Missions.

Speaking of special needs of Mabashi Mission, Grace Farnham writes: "We have needed a building from the beginning of the work here but now it is a necessity as there are none for rent. We are investigating the possibilities of building. As almost all old buildings are badly in need of repair it would be a satisfaction to have a new building. It must be a place for meeting and a home for missionaries. Each week when the Christians crowd into my rooms I realize the need for a building."

A future mission project for Alaska is the "AAA" Christian Home for Children. The present personnel of this project: Superintendents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gates, 306 E. 13th Eugene, Oregon; Nurse, Elsie Cornelius; Advisors, Paul Marteeny and Glenn Johnston, Homer, Alaska; Winter Harvey, Wasilla, Alaska; and Hal Watkins, Anchorage, Alaska.

We note in the August issue of THE CRUSADER that the number of missionaries receiving direct support in our brotherhood has increased from 22 in 1928 to 164 in 1948.

Harlan Woodruff reached Okinawa September 4. His supplies are stored in the mayor's house in Nago, where the mission work will be begun.

P-M Pack No. 2

P—M Packs are for intermediates. These packs are filled with suggestions leaders want, answers to questions they crave. The new Pack No. 2 is ready for delivery at $2.50. Send to the Christian Board of Publication, 2700 Pine Blvd., St. Louis 3, Missouri.

Northwest Christian College

(Copy for the Oregon Christian is due on the first day of the month. We waited until the 4th for copy for this issue and could not wait longer; so we gleaned from the September issue of the NCC BULLETIN to fill this space. It was the International Convention that caused the omission, but a convention cannot stop the schedule of the OREGON CHRISTIAN.—Editor)

The President's Column

Recently, when discussing the present Palestine question, I was asked, "What destiny do you think God has for the Jews?" Probably I did not answer the question clearly. But I did say that in my opinion God wants of the Jews the same thing He wants of every other human being; acceptance of the Gospel of Christ; obedience to His will.

"But does God want the Jew to go back to Palestine?" This I do not know. Most Jews have never been to Palestine, so cannot "go back." But of one thing I am certain: God wants every Jew to accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour and He wants every Jew to be a citizen of His eternal kingdom, not of this world, but of the redeemed world, spiritual.

Long ago an exile in Babylon wrote the beautiful but vindicitive 137th Psalm. The writer felt that he could worship God only in Jerusalem. But the prophet Jeremiah, in his book (31: 31-33) made it clear that geographical location is not vital to worship. Jesus likewise clearly stated this significant truth when talking with the woman at the well of Sychar. What difference where the Jews live if they believe in God? Or, for that matter, gentiles? Or missionaries? Or you? The important thing is, are you faithful to your Lord?

All of which leads us back to the most significant question. What are we doing to make the Gospel effective? Do we seriously try to win the Jews?

Our devout and capable brethren in Christ, Mr. and Mrs. Tan-Ditter, 2406 S. W. First Ave., Portland 1, Oregon, in their Mission to the Hebrews, have been seriously working at the solving of the so-called Jewish question. They have been preaching the Gospel to Jews. Only we have been so negligent in their support that they have not been able to employ their full capacities in the work which we are sure God wants them to do.

Some time back I heard a lecture on "How to Worry Successfully." Essentially the lecturer said, if you must worry, then worry about something that you can do something about. So let's worry successfully about the Jews. All of our worrying will not take them to Palestine or keep them out. But let's worry about their eternal salvation. We can make certain that God's destiny for the Jews will be salvation from sin to life eternal.

In a word, let's know the Bible, believe its message, preach and teach it. This os our NCC program.—Ross J. Griffeth.

Welcome Gift

The splendid library of the late Dr. S. Earl Childers has been given to N.C.C. by Mrs. Childers. A considerable number of volumes on preaching and of sermons reflects the interest of Dr. Childers who was such an outstanding pulpit man throughout his consecrated and fruitful life. N.C.C. is greatly enriched by this gift of books.

Salaries

A recent report on salaries of faculty members in various institutions indicates that salaries for full professors at N.C.C. are still below the minimum reported for faculty members in most institutions. We hope that contributions will continue to grow in the future so that we shall be able to reach the respectable minimum. Our faculty members have preparation equal to that of instructors in other institutions and need the compensation that will make their lives most useful.

Bibles

In preparation for the opening of school N.C.C. has ordered more than $500 worth of Bibles to start the year off for students. As usual this is the largest single item on the N.C.C book order list.

Missionary Society

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Family Relations

Dr. Paul Poponoe, noted writer and Director of the Family Life Institute of Los Angeles, addressing a large audience gathered in the First Congregational Church on Saturday night September 25, emphasized the importance of undergirding the marriage relationship with something more than the glamour thrown around it by the movies and magazines. There needs to be more provision for counselling and teaching on the part of the church as to what is involved in making a home a success; more opportunities provided where young people can have wholesome social contacts.

The 1949 convention, the Centennial, will be held in Cincinnati, on October 25-30; the 1950 convention, in Oklahoma City, in October.

Christmas Offering

It is not too early to begin to think about that Christmas offering which is in the interest of the Old People's Home. The Christmas offering is the "bread and butter" maintenance for the Home. The Homes for the aged are on area support. Materials for help in adequately observing the day will be sent from the national office. All gifts should be sent direct to Northwestern Christian Home, R. F. D., Beaverton, Oregon.

Gladstone

The church at Gladstone has an interesting program for October outlined. Incidentally they are 40 years old this year and they are making it count as part of their program. They observed their annual meeting October 6 with C. H. Addleman, new state secretary, as the guest speaker. On October 10, Ray C. Smith, a former pastor, occupied the pulpit. On the 13th a Mulkey Memorial Missionary meeting (A. H. Mulkey was founder of the church) in the morning; and in the evening C. F. Swander, retiring state secretary, gave the address. On October 17 Bob Mulkey (a grandson of A. H. Mulkey mentioned above) will bring the morning message. In all of this the beloved pastor, Wilbur Rolla Hensley, fit into the picture as the generalissimo.

Thurston

The little church at Thurston is launching a faith project in a new building. This is a rural church in a thickly populated area. A photo static picture of the proposed plan reveals a spacious auditorium with a social hall capable of being thrown open to the auditorium, a kitchen and other conveniences. The old building has been torn down—they have burned their bridges behind them. May the Lord reward their faith!

Dedication

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Inspiration at Dallas

The special rally held at Dallas on September 20 proved to be tops in inspiration and fellowship and a good "pepper-up" for the annual state convention. The meeting was opened by Harold Stapleton, president of the Dallas Ninety and Nine. Charles Knox, of Falls City, led the song service, accompanied by his wife at the piano. Special numbers were given by the N.C.C. Male Quartet, and by James Cornett, Associate minister of the Eugene First Christian Church.

Announcements were made regarding the men's banquet at the International Convention and the 12th annual State Convention of the Oregon Ninety and Nine. President Hugh Olds presented William McKinney, Executive Secretary of the Laymen's League, who brought a stirring message on the text, "Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it." Ed Eldridge, of N.C.C. pronounced the benediction, after which refreshments were served.

S. W. at Myrtle Point

The monthly rally of the Southwestern District was held at Myrtle Point on September 20 with 20 men and boys present. Boys who attended the Bridge Boys' Camp gave reports on camp life. District officers were elected as follows: Jask Triplett, North Bend, president; J. T. Royer, Myrtle Point vice-president; John Shilling, Coquille, secretary; Dean Brown, Myrtle Point, treasurer. Plans were made for an executive committee meeting of the new officers at Myrtle Point on October 3 with President elect Jack Triplett as guest speaker for the morning service. A check for $80 was forwarded by the district treasurer to bring the credit for the year to $269.

New District Meets

The first rally of the new South Willamette District was held at Albany on September 27 with 62 men present. Delegations were present from 6 churches to get the work off to a good start. Following the dinner provided by the ladies of the host church a word of welcome was given by Martin Farlee. John Griffeth sang a solo followed by the song service led by Harry Harvey. Mrs. Carl Newport played the accompaniment.

Vice-President Kenneth Shogren opened the brief business meeting with Secretary Roy Grover reading the minutes of the last meeting of the former Willamette District. Lebanon was selected as the meeting place for the November 22 rally. An offering was received and a portion of it was paid on the former district pledge for state work. Bill Siefke was introduced as program chairman and he in turn presented Glen Johnson, Crabtree, who led devotional singing to precede a devotional thought by George Knox, of Peoria. Mrs. Newport sang a solo, accompanied by Mrs. Jordan, before the evening prayer by Brother Knox. Harold Lyman, Court Street Church, was guest speaker and emphasized the need for Christianity in practice, Matthew 7:21.

N. W. Officers Elected

The Northwest District rally was held at Hillsboro on September 27 with 115 men attending. Bob Pfieffer led the song service and Pastor-Advisor Brooks gave the invocation. The following district directors were elected for 1948-49: Lloyd Arnett, Kern Park; W. M. Fishback, Hillsboro; Orrin Fraley, Englewood; Oesar Howlett and Gordon Rich, Central Christian; Earl Noble, Mallory Avenue; Floyd Shaw and Walter Ferguson, St. Johns; John Arnett, Parkrose; Palmer Ford, Sellwood; and Guy Mott, Forest Grove. An offertory prayer was given by Earl Ladd, and offerings and pledges of over $250 were received for district work. Dr. Beatty announced the state convention and Martin Kullowatz reported on state work. Kern Park was chosen for the November 22 rally.

The Hillsboro Male Quartet porvided special music preceding the message of the evening by Ralph Holcomb, youth director of the Central Christian Church. Clifford Trout, host pastor, gave the benediction.

Camp Harmony Retreat

The second retreat arranged by A. A. Friesen, president of the North Willamette District, will be held at Camp Harmony, Nelscott, Oregon, on October 29,30 with Teaddy Leavitt as leader. All men who will are invited to attend, but should write to Brother Friesen, 472 University St., Salem, Oregon, if planning to be there.

S-Wanderings

Copy for the September issue was prepared in the mountains of Central Oregon; these lines are penned on the eve of starting for the International Convention. They will be the last S—wanderings we will write as state secretary.

September 3. September S—wanderings began with a drive to Canby. The occasion was the Young People's Conference party. 96 young people and their leaders were present.

September 5. Since 1927 we have gone to the little church at Odell to worship with them, and bring the message, at their annual home coming. It has been a joyful pilgrimage. This year was no exception.

September 7. The regular State Board meeting—the last with the old state secretary.

September 9. Luncheon at the Campbell-Court Hotel with brethren concerning the coming Foreign Missions rally in November. W R. Holder was present.

September 12. A visit to Sutherlin where Rea Kleinfeldt preaches. It was a blessed occasion meeting old friends and making new.

September 15. Met with the coaching conference teams in an all day session at Salem. Next month they will go out to the churches with an educational advance program for the Crusade.

September 17. Met with the Program Committee of the Foreign Missions Rally at First Christian Church.

September 18. Met with the State Educational Committee.

September 19. This was St. Helen's 21st anniversary. For a number of years we have visited them on the last Sunday in September. This was a special occasion of joy. Their first pastor, Frank Cunningham, was present. Nelson O. Cole is the beloved pastor.

September 23. We leave for San Francisco at 5:10 (ST) tonight. If there is room we may have some items from the convention on our return. But for "S—wanderings," Adios.

DUFUR — Harry Atkins, who has been placement secretary in Butler University for some time, will become pastor, succeeding Glenn Warner, now associate pastor at Mallory Avenue. We welcome him to the state.

Thanksgiving Offering

The thanksgiving offering will be observed this year on November 21. This offering is dedicated to the cause of Christian Education and State Missions. It is one of the very few special offerings that is placed in the regular missionary calendar of Unified Promotion. It has been from this source that our State Educational Committee has received its funds for its work in the state. It is the hope that Oregon may ultimately have a full time religious educational leader. The Educational Committee has this very definitely in its agenda. Two crucial problems must be solved before that can be realized—finding a satisfactory person, and the support of that one. Oregon churches can answer the last item very largely by their participation in this offering.

Last year 15 Oregon churches had a part in the thanksgiving offering to the amount of $1,068.68. If the rest of the churches in the state will do as well portionately that part of the problem would be solved. If you have not yet ordered supplies for the observance of the day do it at once. We can send you an order card which you may mail without postage. Do not order materials if you do not intend to send the offering.

State Secretaryship Changes

On about October 18, C. H. Addleman will formally become state secretary, succeeding C. F. Swande, who has labored in that position since July 1, 1908. At the last meeting of the State Board it was decided that it would be desirable for the retiring secretary to remain in the office until January 1 to assist the new secretary in adjusting himself to his new duties. Mr. Addleman plans to visit churches during this time and familiarize himself with the field angle. He will also attend the Home and State Missions Planning Council at St. Louis in December. Between the two the work will be kept going in the usual way.

Cornerstone Laid

On Sunday afternoon, October 3, the cornerstone of the new Mallory Avenue Church was laid with appropriate ceremony. A service was held inside, at which the box in the old stone was opened and the contents displayed. It contained two newspapers, a New Testament, a history of our work in Portland, three silver coins, and other documents pertaining to the church. The box was resealed and again deposited in the new cornerstone. The church will be proud of its new building which is promised for use not later than January 1. Hubert E. Sias is the happy pastor.

Salem Youth

A thrilling scene was enacted in First Church Salem on September 12 when twelve young people were publically recognized as recruits for some branch of Christian service. They were: Mary Morgan, Delvon Long, Darl Hunt, Leo Horner, Donna Johnson, Joan Trout, Harold Ranton, Hugh Gookin, Joyce Rautenkranz, Ellaree Morton, Douglas Van Dyke, and Dorothy Caspell. It is a real joy to a pastor to face an occasion like this. Dudley Strain is the proud preacher. Congratulations, Dudley; and God speed you, young people!

Vote No! On Bill 315

When the bill for repeal of the Prohibition Amendment was before the American people the liquor forces solemnly promised that it did not mean a return of the saloon. Yet Bill 315, to be voted on in Oregon on November 2, permits the sale of liquor by the glass in hotels, restaurants, clubs and public transportation. What else is that than saloons. Vote NO!

Southeast Church

"Southeast" is the name of a new church being organized in the portland area at S. E. 131st Avenue by Oscar Pearson. They have purchased a building there and will use it until they can erect a more suitable one. They have planned to dedicate this structure on October 17.

Ordination

Charles Knox was ordained to the Christian ministry at Roseburg on the evening of October 3. His brother Kenneth, and Professor Wm. Siefke, from N. C. C., presided at the service. Charles is a student preacher at Falls City.

Robert Mulkey and Loren Arnett were ordained to the ministry at Kern Park (Portland). C. H. Addleman, pastor, was assisted by Lloyd Arnett, Loren's father, and Roy Will, an elder in the Dayton church where Robert preaches. Loren is pastor at Lorane. Bob Mulkey is a grandson of Rev. A. H. Mulkey, a pioneer Oregon preacher and founder of the church at Gladstone. Our Congratulations are extended to both these boys.

Our Evangelists

B. Ross Evans held a good meeting at Goshen last month. That is a small church but it is doing fine work in a small town. Ray Charlesworth is the pastor. Evans is now at Burns. The new building is far from complete but they are using the basement. They need money. If there is any one who is so inclined to send them a substantial check it will be worthily bestowed.

Gene Chamberlain held a good meeting at Hermiston last month. Kribs says it was one of the best ever held there. He is now at Willamina, Leo Woodruff, pastor and we predict a good meeting there.

Preachers' Breakfast

The Portland preachers (Disciple) held a breakfast meeting at the Y. M.C.A. on Wednesday, October 6. Short reports of the international convention were given. The main purpose of the meeting was to receive announcement of the Teaching Mission. Mr. Kalas, from the International Council was a guest. He will direct the mission and was in the city to instruct concerning the religious census which was to be taken on Sunday, October 10. Professor Ward Rice was also a guest. Clay Pomeroy is the president of the ministers' association.

Two Pulpit Changes

W. C. Piper goes to Grants Pass on November 1, Holly Roy Jarvis will go to Medford on the same date. Word also reaches us that Freeman Yardley has resigned at Turner. Thus changes are constantly taking place. We hope the vacated churches find as good men as they lose.